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For: OPTICA

OPTICAL SWITCH HAVING SWITCH CELLS WITH MOVABLE SWITCH MIRRORS

(AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the final Office Action mailed August 17, 2004, having a shortened period for response set to expire on November 17, 2004. A petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the response period to December 17, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.